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FOR AMB. SPIEGEL FROM JOHN SHATTUCK

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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH RWANDAN HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST
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 MONIQUE MUJAWAMARIYA

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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT. ACTION REQUEST IS AT
PARAGRAPH 5.2. SUMMARY: MONIQUE MUJAWAMARIYA, A HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST
FROM RWANDA, AND TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM HUMAN RIGHTS
WATCH MET WITH HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS A/S

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JOHN SHATTUCK ON FRIDAY, APRIL 22. MS. MUJAAMARIYA
EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE DEPARTURE OF U.N. FORCES FROM
RWANDA. SHE SOUGHT U.S. SUPPORT IN URGING THE U.N. TO
MAKE A DETERMINATION THAT THE ACTIONS TAKING PLACE IN
RWANDA CONSTITUTE GENOCIDE AND EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO HAVE
JACQUES-ROGER BOOH-BOOH REPLACED AS MEDIATOR OF THE
CONFLICT. THE GROUP MADE A NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS ON WAYS
TO STOP THE FIGHTING IN RWANDA, INCLUDING REQUESTING U.N.
HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, JOSE AYALA LASSO, TO
PUBLICLY HIGHLIGHT EVENTS TAKING PLACE THERE. AMB.
SPIEGEL IS REQUESTED TO RAISE WITH AYALA LASSO THE

POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A PUBLIC STATEMENT ON THE SITUATION IN
RWANDA. END SUMMARY

3. DURING THE MEETING WITH A/S SHATTUCK, MS. MUJAWAMARIYA
EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE DEPARTURE OF U.N. FORCES. SHE
BELIEVES THAT THERE WILL BE EVEN MORE KILLING SHOULD THAT
APPEN. GIVEN THE NUMBER OF CIVILIANS WHO HAVE ALREADY
DIED IN THE FIGHTING, THE GROUP ASKED A/S SHATTUCK WHAT
THE CHANCES MIGHT BE OF GETTING THE U.N. TO LABEL THE
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EVENTS IN RWANDA AS GENOCIDE SO THAT THERE MIGHT BE A
GREATER CALL TO ACCOUNTING FOR THE PERSONS RESPONSIBLE.
A/S SHATTUCK WAS NOT HOPEFUL THAT THIS WOULD OCCUR.

4. ANOTHER CONCERN RAISED BY THE GROUP WAS THE
EFFECTIVENESS OF THE U.N. MEDIATOR, JACQUES-ROGER
BOOH-BOOH. THEY BELIEVE BOOH-BOOH SHOULD BE REPLACED, AS
HE HAS COMPROMISED HIS POSITION AND IS TOO CLOSELY
IDENTIFIED WITH THE GOVERNMENT TROOPS WITH WHOM HE HAS
BEEN OPENLY FRATERNIZING. HOWEVER, AFTER THE HASTY
DEPARTURE OF THE MEDIATION TEAM THAT HAD INITIALLY
TRAVELED TO RWANDA TO TRY AND WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT,
FINDING A SUITABLE REPLACEMENT FOR BOOH-BOOH MIGHT BE
DIFFICULT.

5. A NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS WERE OFFERED DURING THE MEETING
ON WAYS TO STOP THE KILLING IN RWANDA INCLUDING CONVENING
A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE U.N. COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
(UNHRC) AND THE POSSIBILITY OF JOSE AYALA LASSO, THE HIGH
COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, PUBLICLY HIGHLIGHTING THE
EVENTS TAKING PLACE IN RWANDA IN AN EFFORT TO EXERT SOME
INFLUENCE ON THE WARRING PARTIES

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6. COMMENT: THE UNHRC IS NOT LIKELY TO AFFECT THE COURSE OF THE FIGHTING IN RWANDA AT THIS POINT, HOWEVER, IN LIGHT OF AYALA LASSO'S INTEREST IN BECOMING DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN MAJOR HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES, INCLUDING THOSE IN RWANDA (SEE REFTEL), IT WOULD BE WORTH PURSUING THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS SPEAKING OUT PUBLICLY ON THE NEED TO END THE KILLINGS AND NEGOTIATE A PEACEFUL TRANSITION TOWARD ESTABLISHING A NEW GOVERNMENT. END COMMENT

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7. ACTION REQUEST: AMB. SPIEGEL IS REQUESTED, AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY, TO URGE HIGH COMMISSIONER AYALA LASSO TO SPEAK OUT ON THE SITUATION IN RWANDA. TALBOTT

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